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THE MAINE ELECTION.

The result of the Maine state election Monday may be construed in two ways, according to the viewpoint from which the observation is made. From the Republican side the plurality of 27,000 for Governor-elect Cobb is considered a great triumph for the dominating party inasmuch as the plurality far exceeds the prediction made just before the election. From the opposite standpoint the Democrats find source of pleasure in the fact that the Republican plurality in a sure Republican state was held below the figures of the last two elections in presidential years. In 1880 the Republican plurality was unprecedented, being 48,246. Four years ago it was 34,132. Thus it will be seen that compared with the results of the last two state elections in presidential years this year's Republican plurality shows a falling off. But the two elections mentioned hardly make a true basis for comparison as the Democratic party of Maine was in a badly demoralized state through the Bryan influence. In neither year did they present anything like their normal strength, and they were consequently overwhelmed. The usual Democratic vote ranged between 35,000 and 40,000 for the fifteen years prior to 1880. In the 1880 election their vote dropped to 34,350, representing a loss of something like 25,000. The Democratic party got back five thousand of these lost votes four years later, bringing their total strength up to nearly 40,000. When the total figures for this year's election are in they will show that the party has also secured several thousand more of their normal strength of twelve years ago. It seems that the Democrats of Maine are slowly coming back to themselves after their wandering of the last eight years.

But if the true basis for comparison is sought it will be found in the period prior to the defection from the Democratic ranks through the Bryan influence. A glance at the pluralities for the presidential years from 1872 shows that the Democratic strength was such that in no year did the Republican plurality go above 20,000. In fact the average plurality was about 15,000. The highest was 19,815. Counting in the last two elections prior to the present year, the average goes slightly above 20,000. Compared with the average in either case the Republican plurality of this year was overwhelming. But it was scarcely to be expected that the Democratic party in that state would regain any considerable portion of its usual strength in eight years time. Like a sick man who is recuperating, the Maine Democratic party will be slow in getting back its strength. It will take much nourishment and tender care. Probably the party will never be itself. The party may, however, take some hope through the election just held. It shows that by stages the party is recuperating. That the well party showed up so much stronger than the estimates made by its managers is not surprising, and for this reason: the Republican managers were sly enough to place the figures so low that any great increase over them would appear like a Republican landslide. The average estimate was 18,000, a ridiculous figure when the condition of the Democratic party is taken into consideration. Without doubt the managers knew full well that their party would poll a much greater vote than such a plurality would indicate. It may have been a foxy political trick to place the estimate low.

It seems from the story told by the members of Co. E., V. N. G., who returned to Barre last evening, that their refusal to participate in the grand parade on Saturday last was not a breach of discipline as originally reported. Instead the Vermont regiment was allowed to decide whether or not it would participate. The regiment declined. In that case the report sent out last week was entirely misleading. The Vermont regiment did not "refuse to obey" and they were not "scolded and coaxed" by their officers.

Editor Walter of the St. Johnsbury Republican is not a "cow-bird." He is secretary of civil and military affairs under the next administration.

During the month of August there were 31 births and six deaths in the city of Barre. What city of the size of this can present a better record?

Maine played the game of "follow the leader."



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ABOUT THE STATE.

Items of Interest Gleaned From Our Exchanges.

A feature of the Waterbury fair on Thursday was the appearance of the veteran Charles Taylor of White River Junction, now 99 years old. Mr. Taylor's horse won second money in the free-for-all.

The grist mill and grain store in Williamsburg was broken into during Saturday and the safe blown open. About seventeen dollars in money and a gold watch were taken. There is no clue to the burglars.

The Rutland railroad has begun to build a new depot in the city of Rutland, where an apology for a station has existed for many years. The depot will be built of brick, trimmed with marble, and cost \$25,000.

W. S. Spencer, principal of Brigham academy at Bakersfield the past year, has been elected to the chair of English in the Iowa Wesleyan university at Mount Pleasant, Ia., and entered upon his labors the 1st.

Among those who voted at freeman's meeting in Derby last week Tuesday was D. Stanford Hinman. Mr. Hinman is eighty-nine years old and cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison at the age of twenty-two. He has voted in the town of Derby at every election since that time.

Newport people are naturally pleased over the decision of the Canadian Pacific railway to locate the new four-sheds there, as it will bring 30 families to the place and give employment to a large number of carpenters. The building will be 1000 by 80 feet, and the contract calls for 750,000 feet of lumber.

Eminent Sir George M. Moulton of Chicago, who was elected grand master of the grand encampment of Knights Templar in San Francisco, Thursday, is a native of Bennington county, having been born at Readsboro in 1851. Two years later the family removed to Chicago and that has since been his home. He served during the Spanish-American War as colonel of the 2d Illinois volunteers, and after the close of the war he organized the Havana police force.

Intelligence has been received in Middlebury of the death of the Rev. Claudius B. Smith at Anacosta, D. C., in the 87th year of his age. Deceased was a graduate of Middlebury college, 1845 and was well known in the village, county and state. He was ordained to the ministry but when the war broke out he enlisted in the 2nd Vermont infantry and was commissioned chaplain of the regiment. After the war he located at Washington and assisted in reorganizing the schools of that city. He was a Royal Arch Mason and was chaplain of the district for 33 years. The Masonic order and G. A. R. attended and officiated at the funeral, the interment being in the national cemetery at Arlington Heights.

CURRENT COMMENT.

What the Press of the State and Country is Talking About.

Pity 'tis that there is no poet equal to a description of General Corbin's automobile thundering down the pike from twenty miles away.—Baltimore American.

Roosevelt's Letter.

Throughout the letter the Chinese policy of "standing pat" on all issues as outlined in the Republican platform is loosely adhered to, and the wonder is that such a long epistle was necessary to say so little. Not the faintest suggestion of constructive statesmanship in dealing with the present or future problems appears in the whole argument.—Boston Globe.

It is a courageous, sincere and convincing letter that he has written—one that does full justice to the great party that is glad and proud to have him for its candidate.—Hartford Courant.



Musical Bug—Yes, madam, it might be a trifle slow, but it's Professor Snail's latest ragtime composition.—San Francisco Examiner.

PLURALITY ABOUT 27,000

Results In Maine Coming In Very Slowly

DEMOCRATS MADE GAINS

The Republican Vote Sustained in the Smaller Towns But Democrats Gained in the Cities.

Portland, Me., Sept. 13.—Returns from the little towns in the backwoods today, and a careful revision of last night's figures, place the Republican plurality in yesterday's state election at about 27,000.

Returns from 430 cities, towns and plantations out of 532, give William T. Cobb, Republican, 75,954; Cyrus W. Davis, Democrat, 50,017. These same places in 1900 gave Hill, Republican, 72,541; Lord, Democrat, 39,714. The Republican gain over 1900 is now estimated at five per cent, and the Democratic gain at 24 per cent.

All the present congressmen, who are Republicans, were re-elected by pluralities ranging from 5,000 to 8,000. They are Amos L. Allen, Charles E. Littlefield, Edwin C. Burleigh and Llewellyn Powers. Mr. Powers had the greatest opposition, defeating his Democratic opponent, William R. Pattangall, by 6,500 votes, a reduction of his plurality from 8,500 two years ago.

Incomplete returns indicate that the Democrats will have several state senators, whereas they now have only one, and that they will make a slight gain over their present twenty members of the house of representatives. Of the numerous contests for sheriff in the various counties that in Cumberland county attracted much interest. The Democrats re-elected the present Democratic sheriff, William M. Pennell, by a substantial vote, a victory which they claim is one not only for the party, but also for what is termed the "Pennell plan" of regulating the enforcement of the prohibitory law.

The noticeable feature of the election, so far as the voting in the cities was concerned, was the falling off in the Republican plurality in Portland from 2,602 four years ago to 1,389. This Republican loss in Portland, together with the election of a Democratic sheriff and a Democratic senator, was held by the Democrats to be a virtual sweep of Cumberland county.

Dr. E. C. Jones, the chairman of the Democratic state committee, refused to make any comments upon the returns of the vote cast for governor except to say that he did not believe the actual plurality throughout the state would be found to be as high as 30,000 when all the towns had been heard from.

A general survey of the returns shows that the Democrats have made their gains mainly in the cities, while the Republicans showed strongly in the towns. It is also apparent that there was a material reduction in the Socialist vote. The city of Bath, in Sagadahoc county, and the town of Skowhegan, in Somerset county, are regarded as the Socialist strongholds of the state. In Bath the vote this year dropped from 200 in 1902 to 94. In 1903 the Bath Socialist strength was only eight.

Candidate Elect Makes Statement.

Rockland, Me., Sept. 14.—William T. Cobb, the successful Republican candidate for governor of Maine, makes the following statement: "I look upon the plurality by which the Republicans have carried Maine as unexpectedly large and as a strong endorsement of President Roosevelt's administration. The plurality may not prove to be 30,000, but it is still handsome and far in excess of what the campaign managers expected. It is evident that Maine wished to express her hearty support of the present national administration."

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Her Initiative.

Nell—Yes, Tom Jones proposed to me once.
Belle—Yes? His friend Jack Brown was talking to me yesterday about you, and he—

Nell—Yes, he proposed too. Did he tell you?

Belle—No; he said he was proposed to too.—Philadelphia Ledger.

My Lady's Galle.

Many times doth my lady bespoken her face—
"Just to take off the shine!" she doth laughingly tell.
But I fancy the puff that she wields with such glee
Takes the "shine" off the face of her rival as well!
—Lippincott's Magazine.

Expert Advice.

"Mrs. Sourly, you've been married for several years, and I am about to take unto myself a husband. What advice would you give me?"
"Learn to play solitaire!"—Detroit Free Press.

Asking Your Pardon.

A girl in sedate Massachusetts Of tennis once played one or two sets.
(The reason that we wrote this poetry Was to prove we could rhyme Massachusetts.)
—Chicago Journal.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Rules to Govern Series of Contests in Association Games.

The Barre Rangers have accepted the Bon-accord football team's challenge, under the following rules: That there be an association consisting of five members from each club, R. Davidson as president.

Rule 1.—The said association to be called the Barre association.

Rule 2.—The teams' names shall be handed to referee before starting game.

Rule 3.—Any player using profane language or insisting on rough play, the referee shall have full power, and the player, if necessary, shall be put off the field, and the association to deal with the offender.

Rule 4.—Any player playing for one team will not be allowed to play for another in the cup series.

Rule 5.—All protests must be lodged with the referee immediately after the game.

Rule 6.—The referee to have full power of the game from whistle to whistle.

The first game is called for Saturday, Sept. 17th, at 2:30, and a great game is expected. Both clubs are to put their best men in the field to fight for the Scampini cup, the winners to hold the cup for one year. Admission, gents 25c, boys 10c, ladies free.

BASE BALL NOTES.

Harry Pattie, who covered second base so acceptably for the St. Albans team in the Northern league for the larger part of the season, and who left there to join the Jersey City team in the Eastern League, is rapidly acquiring the reputation of being the fastest man in that league. The following from a Jersey City paper will be of interest: "Second baseman Pattie has won his spurs and his way to popular favor. The young man from Brown University showed his qualities as a player on Friday by his skillful bunting and speedy base running, but his popularity was added to on Saturday by another exhibition of bunting and sprinting to first, beating the ball out three times. Pattie got into the game in fielding also and is fast proving true what Manager Murray predicted for his young infielder."

NEW YORK EXCURSION.

Annual Event From Barre, Sept. 27. Fare \$6.00.

The annual fall excursion to New York over the Central Vermont railway will occur this year on Sept. 27. There will be a special train leaving Barre at 12:15 noon, on that day to New London, and thence by the elegant steamer "City of Lowell" to New York. The rates for the trip from Williamstown, Barre, Montpelier, Northfield, Roxbury, Randolph, Bethel, Waterbury, Middlesex, etc., will be \$6.00 for the round trip. The train will leave Waterbury at 12:20, Middlesex 12:40 Barre at 12:15, Montpelier at 12:35, West Berlin at 12:55, Northfield Falls at 1:00 and Northfield at 1:05, reaching New York at 7 a. m. Tickets will be good going only on the special train, returning to leave New York any day until Oct. 7. No stop-over privileges allowed.

BOWLEGS BARRED.

Uncle Sam's Soldiers Must Have Straight Underpinnings.

Major Galbraith, recruiting officer for the United States army, and Colonel Thomas of the Eleventh cavalry, stationed at Fort Des Moines, are authority for the statement that bowlegged men will hereafter be barred from the army.

The purpose of this order, which emanates from the war department, is explained on the ground that a bowlegged man cannot withstand a hard march as successfully as his comrade with symmetrical extremities. Hitherto it has been customary to admit bowlegged men to the cavalry regiments and to regard it as a point in their favor, but service in the American-Spanish war showed that cavalrymen do much dismounted service.

New England Glassworkers Strike.

Boston, Sept. 14.—Sixty-five decorative glass workers employed in a dozen shops have struck. The men demand the union shop system and a minimum wage of \$18 per week.

The Starved, Spangled Bandmen.

[The Russian military band at Port Arthur plays its regular morning and evening programmes despite the severity of the siege.—From a Cable Dispatch.]

Oh, say, can you hear in the dawn's early light
What so gludly we heard at the twilight's last gleaming?
Does the bass drum beat boom in its resonant might?
Does the tuba vitch too with its regular gleaming vitch?

Though the trombones' blast in its practicing blare
Gave proof through the night that the band was there,
Oh, say, do the starved, spangled bandmen still play,
While the Japanese shells whizzovitch o'er the bay?

Though the drumbeat has lost its best head by a shell,
And a bullet has pierced a new hole in the flutestick,
Does the band answer back with "Bella" as well
As it did when the Japs first gave orders to shootstick?

"Hawvitch!" it pealed from a band stand concealed,
And the hot shot of ragtime its rumbles revealed—
Oh, say, do the starved, spangled bandmen still play,
While the Japanese shells whizzovitch o'er the bay?

Hark! The strataki that comes through the crash of the bomb!
'Tis the band proving yet that grim war is Old Harry.
For the melody made by the toots and tumtums
Is the gallant defiance of "Good Morning, Carrie!"

And the Officals and Vitches still gallantly blow,
While the music is hurled in the face of the foe,
And the starved, spangled bandmen courageously play,
While the Japanese shells whizzovitch o'er the bay.

—Francis Scott Fitzgerald Keitchevitch, on board Japanese flagship, off Port Arthur.

New Goods for Fall, 1904

Here's an early-season buying opportunity that will appeal to those who plan their Fall buying before the best patterns are sold out.

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White Outing Flannels for - 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c and 10c per yard
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WAR ECHOES.

Whatever may be said about the Russians, everybody will admit that they are brave fighters.—Pittsburg Gazette.

The game now forced on the European powers by the showing of Great Britain and Russia in the wars in which each met the surprise of his life is "Prestige, prestige! Who's got the prestige?"—Baltimore American.

Hit three times within five minutes with twelve inch shells weighing nearly half a ton each from a distance of eight miles! That was gunnery. No wonder the Russian battleship Cessarevitch hustled for a neutral port with all the speed left it.—Osaweg Times.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Washington, Sept. 14.—The following Maryland fourth class postmasters have been appointed: Joppa, Richard A. Shefel; White Plains, Joseph Stumpner.

A Reckoning.

"There will come a reckoning with England." We recognize her as our old enemy, who has stood in the path of Russian development.—Prince Happers Ouktomsky.

Ye who would reckon with England—
Ye who would sweep the seas
Of the flag that Rodney nailed aloft
And Nelson flung to the breeze—
Count well your ships and your men,
Count well your horse and your guns,
For they who reckon with England
Must reckon with England's sons.

Ye who would challenge England—
Ye who would break the night
Of the little hole in the foggy sea
And the lion heart in the fight—
Count well your horse and your swords,
Weigh well your valor and your guns,
For they who ride against England
Must saber her million sons.

Ye who would roll to warfare
Your hordes of peasants and slaves
To crush the pride of an empire
And sink her fame in the waves
Test well your blood and your metal,
Count well your troops and your guns,
For they who battle with England
Must war with a mother's sons.
—Theodore Roberts to Independent.

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